Bachelor of Arts in Asian Studies

In order to provide students with the skills needed in a globalized world that increasingly pivots on Asia, Montana State University offers an interdisciplinary Asian studies major. Besides taking core Asian studies courses, students can choose between a Japan Focus and China Focus.

Required Courses for Japan Focus

Core Asian Studies Requirements (take three of the following: 9-12 credits)

ANTY 242D Contemporary Japan
CHIN 130D Historical and Literary Journey into Modern China
CHIN 211D Chinese Culture & Civilization
HSTR 140D Modern Asia
HSTR 145D Reinventing Japan
JPNS 150D Japanese Culture & Civ
PHL 270 Philosophies of Asia
RLST 203D Buddhist Traditions

Japan Focus

1. Japanese Language Requirement (16 credits)
   JPNS 101 Elementary Japanese I
   JPNS 102D Elementary Japanese II
   JPNS 201D Intermediate Japanese I
   JPNS 202D Intermediate Japanese II

2. Japan Courses (take six courses of the following: 18 credits)
   ANTY 337 Sex, Gender, Sexuality Japan
   ANTY 343 Popular Culture - Japan
   ANTY 441 Social Movements in Japan
   ARTH 360 History of Asian Art and Architecture
   GPHY 446 East Asia in the Global System
   HSTR 340 Age of the Shoguns
   HSTR 342 Japan’s Meiji Revolution
   HSTR 443 Gender in Asia
   HSTR 444 Gender in Japan
   HSTR 445 Environ, Health & Sci in Japan
   JPNS 305 Japanese Adv Conversations
   JPNS 320 Classical Japanese Literature
   JPNS 321 Modern Japanese Literature
   JPNS 325IH Outcast Literature
   JPNS 340 Japanese Adv Reading & Grammar
   JPNS 361IH Japanese Text and Cinema

3. Japan Research Experience (3 credits):
   ANTY 490R Undergraduate Research and Instruction
   ANTY 492 Independent Study
   HSTA 490R Undergraduate Research
   HSTR 490R Undergraduate Research
   HSTR 499R Sen Capstone: Hist Methodology
   JPNS 450R Sem: Japanese Lit and Culture

Other courses approved by a faculty advisor

Total Credits 120

Course Substitutions: Other appropriate courses, including those taken abroad, may be substituted with the approval of an Asian Studies Advisor.

Study Abroad: Montana State maintains active exchange programs with overseas universities, including ones throughout Asia. Students may spend an entire academic year abroad while paying Montana State tuition. Contact the Office of International Programs for more information.

Required Courses for China Focus

Core Asian Studies Requirements (take three of the following: 9-12 credits)

ANTY 242D Contemporary Japan
CHIN 130D Historical and Literary Journey into Modern China
CHIN 211D Chinese Culture & Civilization
HSTR 140D Modern Asia
HSTR 145D Reinventing Japan
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China Focus

   CHIN 101 Elementary Chinese I
   CHIN 102D Elementary Chinese II
   CHIN 201D Intermediate Chinese I
   CHIN 202D Intermediate Chinese II

2. China Courses (take six courses of the following: 18 credits)
   ARTH 360 History of Asian Art and Architecture
   CHIN 320IH History of Chinese Cinema
   GPHY 446 East Asia in the Global System
   HSTR 345 Modern China
   HSTR 443 Gender in Asia
   HSTR 446 Science and Medicine in China
   HSTR 484 World Environmental History
   ML 491 Special Topics
   Other courses in Chinese history designed by Professor Maggie Greene

3. Chinese Research Experience (3 credits):
   HSTR 490R Undergraduate Research
   HSTA 490R Undergraduate Research
   HSTR 499R Sen Capstone: Hist Methodology
   ML 490R Undergraduate Research
   ML 492 Independent Study

Other courses approved by a faculty advisor

University core and electives 71-74

Total credits 120

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Graduation Requirements: A minimum of 120 credits is required for graduation; 42 of these credits must be upper-division.
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